# **International Trade and Harris County:** One Judge's Perspective on Restoring and Growing Harris County

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### **Judge Ed Emmett**

Harris County Judge

## Tuesday, October 14, 2008

11:30 AM -1:00 PM International Trade Center 832-448-0190 11110 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX 77072

The International Trade Club Presents:

### Agenda:

11:30 Doors Open and Lunch Served 11:45 Program Begins 11:45 - 12:30 Judge Ed Emmett 12:30 - Networking

#### Overview:

Edward M. Emmett was unanimously appointed County Judge by Harris County Commissioners Court on March 6, 2007, upon the resignation of former Judge Robert Eckels. A member of the Texas House of Representatives from 1979 to 1987, Emmett served East Harris County, from Kingwood to Baytown. He was chairman of the Committee on Energy, a member of the Transportation Committee, and represented the state on numerous national committees relating to energy and transportation policy. Prior to being appointed County Judge, Emmett founded The Emmett Company. His previous private sector experience includes service as president and chief operating officer of the National Industrial Transportation League.

Harris County is one of the most rapidly growing counties in the United States. The key component of its economic growth is international trade of small, medium, and large companies. Harris County has the second fastest growth rate among the ten most populous counties in the country and undoubtedly small and medium sized businesses play a positive and vital role in that growth. The opportunities and resources in Harris County make it one of the best locations for international business.

#### Pre-registration deadline: October 13, 2008

To register, for non-International Trade Club members, please fax the completed form below with credit card details to: the International Trade Center at fax: 281-498-2728. Cost is \$35 for non-Trade Club. International Trade Club Members – Complimentary.

For question on registration or the International Trade Center, please call John Robbins at: 832-448-0193 or by email at john@scdaily.com or Jennifer Lopez at 832-448-0190 . LUNCH is included.

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